



Trail News

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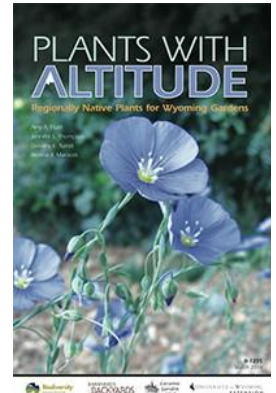
***** MCD HAS NEW OFFICES *****

Meeteetse Conservation District has moved into the newly renovated offices located in the old Lucille's Café/Ferret Den building. Final finishes are still being installed, but we are slowly putting our modular spaces back together and finding room for all of our "stuff." Those of you that have ever moved an office or family to new digs and/or lived in a construction zone, will certainly understand the fun we are having. We will keep you updated on our progress as milestones are met and new ones defined. The phone, mailing address, email, and website remain the same, only the physical location has changed.

--- Plants With Altitude ---

Regionally Native Plants for Wyoming Gardens

Regionally native plants that mix attitude and altitude with beauty are showcased in a new publication from the University of Wyoming. These plants will weather Wyoming's worst. "Plants with Altitude: Regionally Native Plants for Wyoming Gardens" provides physical descriptions and unique characteristics of more than 50 perennials in addition to water need, sun exposure, native ranges, plant family and height and width. When applicable, icons denote animal resistance and pollinator attraction. "The plants were chosen by the authors," said Jennifer Thompson of University of Wyoming and one of the writers. "They are regionally native plants that are attractive, relatively easy to get ahold of and that have performed well in our gardens, which are in challenging environments." Collaborators are the UW Biodiversity Institute, the Laramie Garden Club, Barnyards & Backyards Rural Living in Wyoming and UW Extension. The UW Biodiversity Institute created a booklet companion website at <http://wyomingnativegardens.org>. You can also download the publication or purchase a hard copy for \$5 plus \$3 shipping, **OR** you can just stop by the Meeteetse Conservation District office at 1906 State Street, Meeteetse, to pick up your **FREE** copy!



***** FREE ECO-BRAN GRASSHOPPER TREATMENT *****

"First Come-First Served Basis," says Josh Shorb, Park County Weed & Pest Control Supervisor



The key to grasshopper management is to determine if they have exceeded economic threshold levels and to treat early. Densities that warrant consideration of treatment is 24 grasshoppers per square yard. Control of grasshoppers early in the season is the most effective and cost efficient when they are in their 1st through 3rd instars. Once the hoppers are flying, control is very difficult and not cost effective. Once a grasshopper has established wings, they do not consume much forage. It is the young grasshoppers that do the most damage to fields and rangelands. Park County Weed and Pest is asking landowners to take note of areas where grasshoppers are congregating and mating and contact our office to survey those areas. It is critical that we get an idea of the size and scope of the infestation so we can determine if we may have a potential problem next year. These areas will likely be hatching grounds for the grasshoppers next spring. The weed and pest office has information regarding population density estimations that have been provided by the University of Wyoming, Entomology Section. There is also an excellent source of information on the Web at <http://www.sdvc.uwyo.edu/grasshopper/ghwywfrm.htm>. If you have areas that you want surveyed please contact the Weed and Pest Office at 307-527-8885. You can also pick up your free bag(s) of ECO-BRAN by stopping by the Meeteetse Conservation District's new office at 1906 State Street (formerly Lucille's Café) or call us at 307-868-2484. Office hours are 9:00am-3:00pm M-F, or by appointment. (Sections of the above are taken from an article submitted by Chris Aimone of Uinta County Weed & Pest to the Uinta County Conservation District's newsletter, the Uinta County Connection.)

--- Kirwin Tour Set for August 9th --

The annual tour of Kirwin is scheduled for Saturday, August 9th, 2014. The tour will once again be led by Jim and Rich Dunrud. The tour leaves the Meeteetse Museum at 8:30 and begins on site at 10:30. Please arrive at the museum by 8:15 to sign in. High clearance vehicles are needed. Rides can be arranged. Please bring a lunch and plenty of water. For more info, call the museum at 307-68-2423. Look for further announcements. See you August 9th!



Grant Available to Help Socially Disadvantaged Farmers and Ranchers

Posted on August 1, 2014 by Farm Service Agency

Grant applications are being accepted from eligible applicants to assist socially disadvantaged and veteran farmers and ranchers to own and operate farms and ranches. The grant will assist community-based organizations, higher education institutions and tribal entities in providing outreach and technical assistance to socially disadvantaged and veteran farmers and ranchers. Applications must be submitted by Aug. 25. For more information and applications, visit:

<http://fsa.blogs.govdelivery.com/2014/08/01/grant-available-to-help-socially-disadvantaged-farmers-and-ranchers/>



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For The

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Any registered voter living within the boundaries of the district, but **not** living within the boundaries of an incorporated city

(1) URBAN MEMBER

Any registered voter of a Wyoming municipality within the boundaries of the district

(1) AT-LARGE MEMBER

Any registered voter living within the boundaries of the district
(rural or urban)

REWARDing opportunity **OFFERED** to be involved in your local conservation district's plans for improving rangeland and wildlife habitat in the Meeteetse area.

Filing dates: August 6th – 25th

For more information and to pick up an Application for Election, stop by the Meeteetse Conservation District's office located at 1906 State Street, (formerly Lucille's Café) or call us at 307-868-2484.

-----Reminders and Updates-----

August 13 ~ 7:00 p.m. MCD Board of Supervisors' regular monthly meeting at the NEW MCD office, located at 1906 State Street, Meeteetse (formerly Lucille's Café). The public is welcome.

Through its *Trail News*, the MCD hopes to keep the community informed, and all of us here, as your local government, encourage you to give us feedback, fresh ideas and comments so that the District can represent the Meeteetse community in the best way possible. For a copy of the Trail News by email, please call us at 307-868-2484 or send an email request to: mcd@tctwest.net.

Happy Trails to You! Bernie, Blaise, Ginny, & Steffen